

The bill (S. 4719), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

VETERANS BENEFITS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2021

Mr. KELLY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 589, S. 3388.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3388) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Mr. KELLY. I ask unanimous consent that the Tester substitute amendment, which is at the desk, be considered and agreed to; the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 6550) in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The bill (S. 3388), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT ACTIVITIES OF TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL OR- GANIZATIONS POSE A RISK TO THE INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND ALLIES AND PART- NERS OF THE UNITED STATES AROUND THE WORLD

Mr. KELLY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 874, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 874) expressing the sense of the Senate that the activities of transnational criminal organizations, including the use of illicit economies, illicit trade, and trade-based money laundering, pose a risk to the interests of the United States and allies and partners of the United States around the world.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. KELLY. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 874) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

Mr. KELLY. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. KELLY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

STATE OFFICES OF RURAL HEALTH PROGRAM REAUTHOR- IZATION ACT OF 2022

Mr. KELLY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be discharged from further consideration of S. 4978 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 4978) to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the State offices of rural health program.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. KELLY. I ask unanimous consent that the Barrasso substitute amendment at the desk be agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be considered read a third time and passed; and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 6551) in the nature of a substitute was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: In the nature of a substitute)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "State Offices of Rural Health Program Reauthorization Act of 2022".

SEC. 2. STATE OFFICES OF RURAL HEALTH.

Section 338J(i)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254r(i)(1)) is amended by striking "fiscal years 2018 through 2022" and inserting "fiscal years 2023 through 2027".

The bill (S. 4978), as amended, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. KELLY. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. PADILLA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

TRIBUTE TO TRACY COUNCILL

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, Marcelle and I have been involved with a wonderful charity for more than 20 years, with Marcelle on its board for over a decade. Tracy's Kids helps children with cancer or blood disorders cope with the emotional toll imposed by their disease and its treatment. Tracy Councill, the heart and soul of that program and a woman who has made a difference in the lives of tens of thousands of patients, siblings, and parents, is retiring after 31 years.

The following announcement by Matt Gerson, founder and president of Tracy's Kids, underscores the positive impact that she has made over the course of her career: "Big News—Tracy is retiring from Georgetown after 31 years. Her service has been indispensable for the patients, siblings, and parents she helped guide through their darkest times. Her announcement is eliciting expressions of gratitude from the medical professionals with whom she served, and throughout the Art Therapy community she influenced.

"I recognized a long time ago that Tracy was put on this earth to do what she does. Because of the model that she developed at Georgetown, Tracy's Kids has fundamentally changed the standard of care for pediatric oncology in the region—and beyond. Her patience, compassion, commitment, and professionalism—along with that accent—have been invaluable to thousands of children and families.

"Tracy is as heroic to her admirers as better-known GOATs. Our Giant Of Art Therapy has trained and inspired generations of students who aspire to be as impactful. Grateful parents know that they could not have confronted the exhausting chapter of their lives without her. Part of her legacy will be paid forward by former patients who are now Art Therapists themselves—as well as the ones pursuing careers in art disciplines from jewelry making to film.

"She will still serve as the Tracy's Kids Program Director, and continue to teach, lecture, and publish on how to help kids and families develop strategies for coping with scary procedures, communicate with doctors and nurses, and express the fears that might lead to nightmares and social isolation.

"I knew nothing of Art Therapy when we met 25 years ago. If anything, I was a bit skeptical. But because of her, when you walk into a clinic served by Tracy's Kids you will likely see children with infusions in their arms, crayons in their hands and smiles on their faces. She has created environments where kids can just be kids—not 'sick kids.' And because they feel so comfortable, patients and their siblings actually look forward to going to the clinic—a sentiment we hear over and over and find hard to believe each and every time.